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1. On 19 and 20 March 1951 the Presidium of the Central Committee of the Albanian Communist Party met in Tirana* to discuss the internal situation, enemy activity against Albania, and the Party position vis-a-vis Tuk Jakova.** According to informant, it is the opinion of Party leaders that opportunism and negligence on the part of many civil servants have created a serious internal situation. As a result, new regulations and rigorous orders are being issued.
 2. At the meeting of the Presidium Tuk Jakova was accused of:
 - a. Negligence.
 - b. Collaborating with anti-Communist resistance since 1946.
 - c. Protecting the clergy and releasing known anti-Communists from prison.
 3. Jakova reportedly admitted all the charges. He was subsequently removed from his post as Vice-Premier and his position as chief of the Soviet-Albanian Cultural Union.
 4. Also removed were Minister of Justice Manol Konomi*** and Teodor Rebo, a cadre director. The charges made against them were disobedience of orders and having protected spies. All three are said to be in prison.
 5. [redacted] a widespread purge of the Party is anticipated.
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Comment: No other information has been received reporting the meeting of the Presidium on or near the above-named dates. It is not clear whether the convocation is in connection with the meetings scheduled to convene by 5 April

Comment: Reported in a Tirana broadcast of 12 March 1951.

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